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CONFERENCE OF PREMIERS.

London Gathering Breaks Up.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, December 11.
Prior to the resumed meeting of the conference of Premiers this afternoon, the British Cabinet met, this morning, to decide the attitude towards the tentative proposals before the conference. The French and Belgian delegates conferred separately. It is understood from well-informed quarters that it is expected the conference will adjourn to-day or to-morrow, probably for a fortnight.

M. Poincaré insists most strongly on occupation of the Ruhr. This proposal does not meet with the full support of British circles, but it is unlikely the divergence of views will lead to anything in the nature of a rupture. It is expected that a compromise will be reached before the adjournment.

German Proposals Analysed.

An authoritative German quarter in London, interviewed by Reuter, indignantly denied the French suggestion that the German Note was only evolved under pressure and the threat to occupy the Ruhr. On the contrary, the German Government would not have produced the plan if it believed the Allies thought such pressure necessary. Its production of the plan was evidence of Germany's willingness to co-operate in any definite solution of the reparations problem. The money derived from the German and external loans would be utilised in stabilising the mark but also in paying reparations. The only way of paying was by a loan, but Germany was unable to guarantee the issue of the proposed loan immediately. No foreign investor would invest if the Ruhr was to be occupied. Germany must be granted a considerable rest to regain confidence.

The person interviewed concluded:—All talk, like Mussolini's, of a great international loan, is nonsense. Such a loan would only be possible when the reparations question had been completely solved.

London, December 11.
It is reported in French circles that the Allies will undoubtedly grant the German demand for a moratorium from January 15, but occupation of the Ruhr will occur simultaneously as a pledge of Germany's good faith in executing financial reforms. The French report adds that the Little Entente representatives will probably attend the next meeting in London, Paris or Brussels, if, as is expected, the conference to-night adjourns for a fortnight, as they are interested in matters like the cancellation of inter-allied debts.

Conference Breaks Up.

London, December 11.
The Premiers' Conference has adjourned until January 2nd. M. Poincaré, returning to his hotel in the evening, interviewed by Reuter as regards the progress of the Conference, said laconically:—"It is finished."

Britain Opposes French Demand.

Later.
The Premiers' Conference on January 2nd, will held be in Paris. The breaking up of the London conference was due to the British refusal to comply with the French demand for the occupation of the Ruhr district in return for granting Germany a short moratorium.

Italy Supports France.

London, December 11.
The final communiqué of the Premiers' Conference was confined to a review of matters deliberated upon and previously cabled. It confirms the statement that the German Note was unanimously found unsatisfactory and it adds that the Premiers' conversations will continue in Paris on January 2nd, to enable definite conclusions to be reached on "the whole questions discussed in London" before January 15th, when the Moratorium expires.

Reuter adds that, abandoning their previous opposition, the Italians supported the French standpoint, that the seizure of fiscal mines and State forests was necessary in connection with the action of guarantees from Germany. The Italians were also disposed to study the question of a Customs barrier in the Rhineland.

An important outcome of the discussion of inter-allied debts was that the Balfour Note thereon was considered dead by the Conference. It is concluded that the Allies are to discuss inter-allied debts entirely apart from the United States. An outstanding feature of the Conference was M. Poincaré's impression of great cordiality in the Ministers' relations, notwithstanding their prospective inability to reach an agreement as regards the pledges from Germany. Signor Mussolini, interviewed by Reuter, expressed guarded satisfaction at the result of the Conference.

AMERICAN POLITICAL CONFERENCE.

Cleveland, (Ohio), Dec. 11.

A conference has been opened for joint political action, being attended by national leaders of the Labour, Farm, Socialist and other groups. The speakers declared that the recent elections brought together the industrial workers and farmers, demonstrating common economic and political interests, although they denied any intention of forming a third party.

BRITISH FARMS COMMISSION.

London, December 11.

In the House of Commons, the Premier said that after a consultation with the ex-Premier, he had decided to establish a tribunal of investigation, composed of three prominent economists, regarding the restoration of agriculture, and making a study of the methods adopted in the Dominions and other countries during the past half century.

ANGLO-PERSIAN OIL DIVIDEND.

London, December 11.

The Anglo-Persian Oil Company has declared a dividend of 20 per cent. Sir Charles Greenway, presiding at the general meeting, predicted that the output of refined oil from Persia was likely to be nearly doubled within the next eighteen months.

IRISH SENATE'S FIRST MEETING.

London, December 11.

The Irish Senate met for the first time to-day, when 45 out of 60 members took the oath. Striking figures were the octogenarian, Dr. Sigerson, Mr. W. B. Yeats, Countess Desart and three other women Senators.

THE WASHINGTON TREATIES.

Washington, December 11.

The Senate has adopted a resolution, proposed by Senator Hitchcock, requesting the State Department to report on the progress made in securing ratification abroad of the Washington Conference Treaties.

AMERICA'S COMMERCE.

Revision of Rules Urged.

(Reuter's Service.)

Washington, December 11.

The annual report to Congress by Mr. Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, recommends, inter alia, the establishment of foreign trade zones in the ports of the United States as a substitute for the present system of bonded warehouses, with a view to increasing the volume of trade carried by American ships. There should be a radical revision of the laws of the United States regarding the formalities required of travellers, owing to retaliatory measures abroad, handicapping American merchants.

An adequate definition of the liability of ocean cargo carriers for loss or damage of goods was necessary, also codification and revision of the navigation laws, the enactment of a loadline law similar to the laws of the maritime Powers of Europe, and exemption from Federal taxes of American residents abroad engaged in expanding American commerce.

CHICHERIN'S VIEWS.

Russia to Oppose Britain.

Paris, December 11.

Interviewed by a representative of *Humanité* at Lausanne, M. Chicherin declared that Russia would not sign an agreement opening the Black Sea to war fleets and violating the sovereignty of Turkey. Clearly Britain aimed at separating Turkey from Russia, but this was an illusion.

The conference had assumed the character of a duel between Britain and Russia. The policy of Britain with regard to the Straits coincided with the recrudescence of British activity in North Persia, where the presence of oil explained this policy. The absence of Russia's signature from the peace treaty would mean the Allies' success would be illusory and would soon fail.

THE GREEK DEBACLE.

What Britain Advised.

London, December 11.

Allegations that Lord Curzon did not acquaint his colleagues with the plight of the Greek Army before the debacle in Asia Minor were disposed of in the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law stated that correspondence between Mr. Curzon and Lord Curzon's subject had been circulated to the Cabinet, which had not discussed the matter.

Mr. Lloyd George explained that he was ill at the time of the circulation, and stated that he and Lord Curzon had advised M. Gounaris on January 12th, that there would be no peace unless the Greeks withdrew from Smyrna.

RUSSIA AND THE BORDER STATES.

Reval, December 11.

A message from Moscow says the disarmament conference between Russia and the Border States has agreed to all the clauses of a non-aggression treaty, except those dealing with the Polish-Lithuanian conflict and a Russian proposal to make the signing dependent on the signing of a disarmament treaty. The Russians declared they would be able to reduce their army in the first year to six hundred thousand. The other delegations made similar declarations, the Polish representatives saying they could reduce Poland's forces to two hundred and eighty thousand.

COLOURED SEAMEN IN BRITAIN.

London, December 11.

In the House of Commons, replying to Comdr. Kenworthy, who drew attention to the undesirable effects of the presence of a great number of coloured seamen in Hull and other ports, Sir Lloyd Greame said that measures after the Armistice to induce unemployed coloured men to return to their native lands were only partially successful, and were expensive and had to be discontinued. He pointed out that many were British subjects. The Home Office had taken special steps to prevent the entry of non-British coloured men.

NEW BRITISH BATTLESHIPS.

London, December 11.

In the House of Commons, replying to questions, Mr. Bonar Law stated that the Government had decided to lay down two new battleships, which must be laid down by December 31st, under the Washington Treaty. He regretted he was unable to arrange for a discussion of the naval situation this session, and said the Government had reconsidered the matter and had come to the conclusion that they had no option but to lay down these ships. It was impossible to delay the matter beyond this year.

NOTORIOUS GANG'S "POLICY."

New York, December 11.

A white-robed, white-hooded member of the notorious Ku-Klux-Klan, for the suppression of which there was recently much agitation all over America, mounted the pulpit of a Baptist church at Brooklyn and read a statement declaring the Klan's aims as: "Down with the whisky sellers, maintenance of the supremacy of the white race, and promote Protestantism."

ANTI-BOLSHEVIST MOVEMENT.

London, December 11.

The *Times* Berlin correspondent says the anti-Bolshevist movement among the Mussulmans in the Caucasus is spreading. News received by the Moscow authorities says the agitation has spread to all the Mohammedan hill tribes and is assuming a dangerous aspect.

CANADIAN-AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS.

Melbourne, December 11.

Preliminary negotiations have been completed for a reciprocal customs arrangement between Canada and Australia.

THE M. C. C. AFRICAN TOUR.

Benoni, December 11.

The M. C. C. team scored 284 (Sandham 128) and East Rand 45 runs for 4 wickets. The match was drawn.

ANOTHER EARTHQUAKE IN CHILE.

Santiago de Chile, December 11.

There were violent earthquake shocks here this morning.

BAKERS' STRIKE.

Two Firms Affected.

WISSEMAN'S AND M. Y. SAN.

A very unexpected development in the demand for increased wages on the part of local bread bakers, pastry cooks and bread delivery coolies took place late last night, when all the bakers and delivery coolies employed by Cafe Wiseman and M. Y. San went on strike. As a consequence, there was considerable inconvenience felt by many residents this morning, who rely on the delivery of their supply of bread.

The Guild's Demands.

The history of the dispute goes back to September, when the Guild to which these workers belong circularised all employers asking for certain increases. In consequence of correspondence, the Guild's demands were eventually reduced to the following:—

Boy apprentices to start at \$2 per month.

The wages of those earning from \$2 to \$5 to be increased by 45 per cent.; an increase of 35 per cent. for those earning from \$5 to \$6; an increase of 25 per cent. to those earning from \$6 to \$10; an increase of 20 per cent. for those earning from \$10 to \$20; an increase of 20 per cent. for those earning from \$20 to \$30; and an increase of 15 per cent. for all those earning over \$30. There were many other demands, relating to the number of working hours per day, monies derived from the sale of flour bags, etc., extra Sunday pay, a month's pay as bonus at every Chinese New Year, one day's general holiday every year, etc.

Wiseman's Offer.

We understand that many of the Chinese bakers agreed to these terms right away, and that yesterday contracts were accordingly signed by them. In the case of Cafe Wiseman, the following offer was made:—

All those earning from \$6 to \$10 to be increased by 35 per cent.; those from \$10 to \$20 increased by 25 per cent.; those from \$20 to \$30 increased by 20 per cent.; and all those earning \$30 and upwards to be increased by 15 per cent. In addition, the bread bakers and pastry cooks were to receive 60 per cent. of the sum realised from the sale of empty flour bags; four days wages were to be paid each month for Sunday work; and one month's wages to be paid at Chinese New Year as a bonus.

Bakers Walk Out.

Cafe Wiseman submitted these terms to the men sometime ago, and it was indicated that the men were quite willing to accept them, but that the Guild were not. Nothing happened, however, until yesterday morning when a number of the employees went to see Mr. D. M. Goodall, the Manager, at his house and asked him if he would sign the firm's offer. He was, unfortunately, sick and said he would sign it on Wednesday, when he hoped to be back in office. They left, apparently satisfied, but occasioned great surprise when they walked out late last night after finishing the baking for this morning's bread supply.

Guild Methods.

It appears that all the other bakeries, with the exception of M. Y. San, had signed the Guild's demands yesterday morning, and that the Guild had ordered the men in the two bakeries named above to cease work, pending the signing of the full demands. Inasmuch as the men employed by Cafe Wiseman had agreed to the terms submitted, their action in walking out has caused no little surprise. The other bakeries are all working to-day as usual.

Volunteer Helpers.

We learn from Cafe Wiseman that the bakery is being carried on by volunteer help and that as much bread as usual will be baked, although only in 1 lb. loaves. There will be no delivery of Wiseman's bread, owing to the delivery coolies acting in concert with the bakers, but bread will be handed over the counter at the Cafe. At Kowloon, bread will be obtainable at On Lee's, the confectioners, and at the Empress Store, whilst at Tai Koo, bread will be obtainable at the Wiseman's branch. Distributing agencies will possibly be opened later on, if found necessary.

ANOTHER CANTON FIRE.

Big Blaze on Hoanm.

Another big fire has occurred in Canton, according to our correspondent there, this time on the Hoanm side, involving the destruction of many houses.

The outbreak occurred at 4 p.m. on Sunday, near to the Canton Cement Works, and it is estimated that nearly a hundred houses were burnt down. Near to where the fire broke out, there are three blocks of small houses, occupied by folk of the poorer class and by boat people. Two of these blocks were absolutely destroyed in the fire.

A large number of poor people have been rendered homeless as a consequence of this fire, and it is feared that they will undergo considerable hardship during the winter.

THE RACES.

Date Again Altered.

Yesterday we announced that, in consequence of the late holding of the Kiangwan Races in Shanghai after Chinese New Year, the Hongkong Races would not be held until March, but we are now able to inform the public that, at a meeting of Jockey Club Stewards held last night, it was decided to hold the races earlier.

We learn to-day that it was at the express request of the Shanghai jockeys that a Race Meeting in March was decided upon, but it has since been felt here that the middle of March is too late, both on account of the uncertainty of the weather and for other reasons.

Last night's meeting fixed the Races for February 28th, March 1st, 2nd and 3rd. These four consecutive days fall on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

TO SERVICE MEN.

Fifty dollars would come in very nicely for the Christmas; wouldn't it? You have a chance of winning that sum by taking part in our Special Football Competition. In connection with which 550 will be devoted exclusively to Service competitors. You may send in as many coupons as you like. See Page 4 of this issue.

The result will be announced in our issue of Tuesday, 19th. inst. ant.

THE FORBIDDEN ROAD.

Connaught Garage Driver Summoned.

A Connaught Garage driver was summoned before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning for driving in Kennedy Road without permission.

Inspt. Garrod explained that cars were allowed to go from the east as far as the wash-houses and from the west to Macdonnell Road. The other portion was in course of construction now. Many people—residents in the road, doctors, etc.—had permission to use the road.

Defendant pleaded that his passengers wanted him to drive them along Kennedy Road.

Inspt. Garrod said two officers of H.M.S. Hawkins had admitted that they made defendant drive them there, but defendant should have known that he was not allowed to do so.

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COMPETITION RESULT.

Five Prizes of \$10 Each.

Of the twelve matches contained on last week's Football Competition coupon, eleven were played, that between the Tamar and Carlisle being postponed. No competitor succeeded in correctly forecasting the eleven games, but five named ten correct results.

The prize is accordingly divided between these competitors, each receiving \$10. None of the five prize-winners gave a correct result of the Marazion v. United match, which ended in a draw, all selecting the United to win. The prize of \$50 is divided between the following:—

J. M. G. Silva, c/o Wilkinson & Brin.
D. F. Lopes, 9 Hart Avenue, Kowloon.
Sirdar Khan, Harbour Office.
S. Edgar, 6 Broadwood Terrace, Wong Nei Chong.
K. Wong, c/o David Simoes & Co., Ltd.
If these competitors will call at this office, we shall be pleased to hand them \$10 each.

CHINA'S PREMIER.

Shanghai, December 12.—It is reported from Peking that a mandate issued yesterday appointed Dr. C. T. Wang as acting Premier.—Reuter.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

Lammert Brothers are holding an auction sale of stamps on the 19th. inst.—Page 4.
Harold Lloyd is appearing at the Coronet Theatre in "Grandma's Boy"—Page 12.
The French Convent are holding a Sale of Work.—Page 4.
A house is to let in the Peak district.—Page 4.
An interesting private collection of Chinese Curios, Ivory, etc., will be sold by public auction on the 15th. inst.—Page 4.
At the Star Theatre to-night, "Sunshine and Shadows" will be screened.—Pages 2 and 12.
A special dance is being held at the Kowloon Theatre to-night.—Page 12.

LISTEN!

Advertising that reaches its mark surely and quickly is the kind that writes "Thrill" on the advertiser.

Consignees are advised of the arrival of the s.s. "President Jackson"—Page 4.
There is a vacancy at St. Joseph's College for a qualified and experienced teacher.—Page 4.
Pearl White will be seen at the World Theatre in "A Mountain Woman"—Page 4 and 12.
The s.s. "Apsu" having arrived, consignees are given the usual notice.—Page 10.
Kelly & Walsh, Ltd. give a list of new books on Page 2.
Will anyone finding a large black and tan dog, please refer to Page 4.
Ciferlo and Palermo are presenting their famous illusions at the Theatre Royal to-night.—Page 4.

To-day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 3.15/16d.

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Lighting Up-Time to-day 5.40 p.m.

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JAPAN AND CHINA.

Transfer of Tsingtao.

(Our Own Correspondent)

Shanghai, Dec. 11.

Reports from Tsingtao indicate that China means business. Mr. C. T. Wang and Civil Governor Hsiang have arrived with two thousand well-armed soldiers and police. These, with the U. S. S. Ashville, seemed to reassure the populace. Everything is orderly now.

Sharp at noon on Sunday the Chinese flag rose to the top of the pole on the Central Yamen, the Japanese gracefully withdrawing. Crowds watched the proceedings.

On Sunday night there was a celebration in the streets, with parades and an abundance of fireworks.

Fuller Details.

Tientsin, Dec. 11.—The special correspondent of the Peking and Tientsin Times at Tsingtao, telegraphs that the formal transfer of the administration was effected yesterday with the least possible ceremony.

Mr. C. T. Wang and General Hsiang Pingchi arrived at the Government Offices at 11 a.m., where they were received by the Military and Civil Governors, Generals Yuh and Akiyama.

The proceedings within the building were private. It is believed they included brief speeches and the handing over of formal documents.

Japanese Discourtesy.

Hundreds of Chinese had collected by the time the Chinese flag was run up. This took place amidst much clapping of hands. The Chinese police saluted the Japanese soldiers, and a Chinese trader in the harbour fired a salute of 21 guns.

The subsequent proceedings were unimmaculate. The Japanese did not return the salutes and ignored the Chinese officials as they emerged from the building.

When General Yuh appeared, the Chinese and Japanese alike saluted and a fanfare was blown by the buglers present.

After this, the spectators pressed forward and Chinese flags were placed at the entrance to the building.

The Japanese troops then withdrew, merely bowing towards the Chinese.

The proceedings at the Police Station were more cordial, the Japanese exchanging salutes.

General Yuh plans to leave with the remaining Japanese troops on December 14.

The dock and wharf staffs will remain for two days longer.

C. T. Wang Confident.

Mr. C. T. Wang, in an interview, said he was confident there would be no further trouble with bandits, all of whom have now left the town. Mr. Wang stated that he had 2,700 troops and police within the town and 10,000 on the boundary.

PLATE GLASS WINDOW.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS

THE CONFERENCE OF PREMIERS.

London, Dec. 11.

While the Conference of Premiers is still in being, matters have undoubtedly reached a crisis. The situation as regards Anglo-French agreement is not altogether reassuring.

It is stated that M. Poincare has definitely rejected the German plan and also the counter-proposal of Mr. Bonar Law, who offered to accept German Bonds in exchange for the French debt.

Hence M. Poincare adheres to his demand for the immediate occupation of Essen and Bochum, in the Ruhr district. A meeting of the British Cabinet was summoned this morning. The Premier's Conference apparently will not reassemble until the Cabinet has reached a decision on M. Poincare's demand.

The Italian and Belgian Premiers were endeavouring last night to find a way out of the crisis. The belief is entertained that there will be no rupture.

M. Poincare, when interviewed after the adjournment of the Conference last evening, severely criticised the German Note. He said he considered the proposals altogether unacceptable. It is understood that this view is shared by all the Allies. It is expected that a reply to this effect is being drafted to-day.

SIR RONALD MACLEAY ON CHINA.

London, Dec. 11.

At the farewell banquet, given on December 1 to Sir Ronald and Lady Macleay by the Chinese S. Club in London, Sir Ronald, in responding to the toast proposed by Mr. Chu Chao-shin, Chinese Charge d'Affaires at the Chinese Legation, said: "By the gradual introduction of modern constitutional and judicial methods and a somewhat less suspicious attitude towards international relations and foreign co-operation in the development of her great natural resources, China would make good her claim to take her place as a respected and influential member of the great family of civilised nations."

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

Old Boys Annual Meeting.

The third annual meeting of the Queen's College Old Boys' Association took place in the College last evening. Mr. U. Ramjagan, one of the Vice-Presidents presiding in the absence of Sir Robert Ho Tung, the President. There was a fairly large attendance.

The notice convening the meeting having been read by the Hon. Secretary (Mr. C. G. Anderson), the Chairman said that the period under review had been marked by a large increase of members, viz. 241, the principal to the efforts and work of the Membership Campaign Sub-Committee.

The total number of members as appearing in the Report was 576, of whom only 50 were Life Members. The Chairman said it was his opinion that having such an influence of members the number of Life Members should not stand at this low figure, and he hoped that it would at least be doubled during the next financial year. As they all were aware, the Association was a very useful institution, to which all old boys should give their support. Not only did the Association bring old boys closer together, it also persistently aimed at doing something for the old school. The Association had been brought to a very strong position, due to the loyalty and co-operation of the members and also to the kindness and constant concern of the energetic Secretary.

The Scholarship Fund.

Since the publication of the annual report, the Chairman said, a cheque for \$1,000 had been received from the President for the Scholarship Fund, which sum, together with the \$1,000 appearing in the report, brought the total up to \$2,000. In a letter to the Secretary, the President recommended the institution of scholar-ships in the name of Mr. Luk King and the late Mr. Chin Chieh-chung. This matter should claim the early attention of the incoming Committee.

Proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. H. K. Hong, the annual report and statement of accounts were adopted.

The election of office bearers resulted as follows:

FOOTBALL.

League Table.

Division I.	Goals			
	P.	W.	L.	D.
King's	7	7	1	21
Canterbury	10	6	3	12
Hawkins	7	5	0	12
Tamworth	9	3	2	11
Amherst	10	5	0	12
S. China	10	4	5	11
Kowloon	8	3	1	11
Despatch	1	2	1	7
R.G.A.	8	1	6	10
Dorham	5	1	3	5
Tatania	3	1	2	5
Carlisle	1	1	3	5
Police	7	0	5	2

Division II.

Goals			
P.	W.	L.	D.
King's Regt.	7	7	0
Hawkins	6	6	0
R.G.A.	7	5	1
St. Joseph's	5	5	0
S. China B.	5	5	0
United	7	4	2
Amherst	6	3	0
Marazion	4	2	1
University	4	2	0
Tatania	4	2	0
Kowloon	6	2	1
S. China A.	6	1	1
Dorham	1	1	3
Despatch	2	0	2
Carlisle	1	0	1
Warders	0	0	0
Auxiliaries	5	0	1
Police	6	0	0

President, Sir Robert Ho Tung; Vice-Presidents, Mr. B. Tanner (ex officio) and Mr. U. Ramjagan; Hon. Secretary, Mr. Tang Shu-shan; Treasurer, Mr. C. Choy.

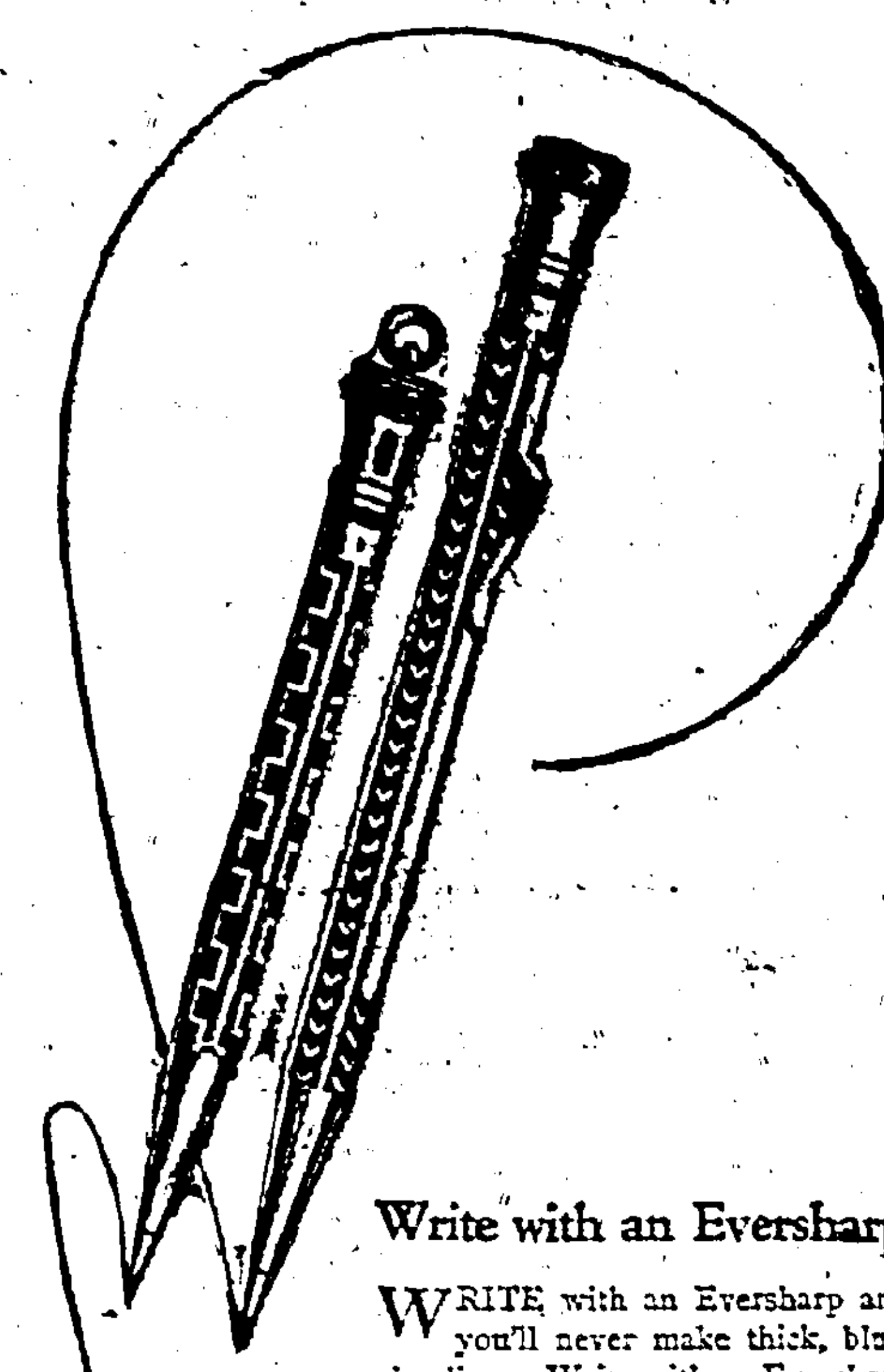
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As regards the Secretaryship, a proposal was put forward that Mr. C. G. Anderson be re-elected for the post. Mr. Anderson declined the plea that he would be leaving for New York shortly.

On the motion of Mr. H. K. Hong, a hearty vote of thanks was passed for the valuable services rendered by Mr. Anderson.

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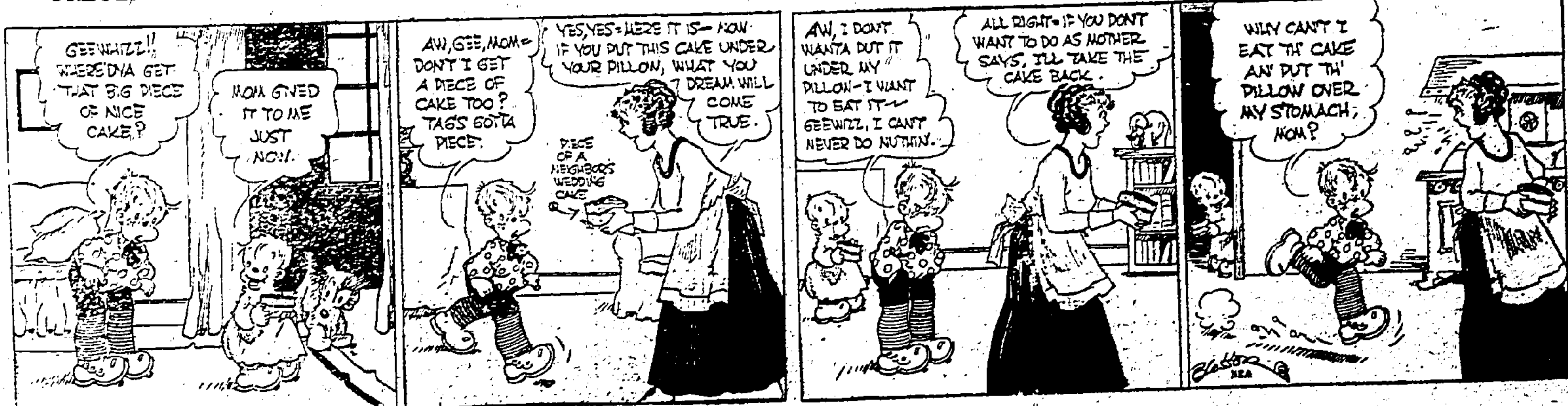
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THE REPARATIONS ROCK.

It looks very much as if the Allied ship of State is in danger of being wrecked on the rock of Reparations. There are, roughly, two schools of thought on this subject, outside of Germany. One point of view is that it is hopeless to expect very much from the indemnity provisions of the Treaty of Versailles, and the best policy will be one of modified exactions; and the other opinion, to which France alone appears to subscribe, is that the Germans should be made to pay up to the last mark possible. We now have a conference of Premiers very nearly wrangling over this question, as well as the closely-related one of inter-Allied war debts. It is noteworthy that America holds coldly aloof, and will shortly, if no contrary decision be arrived at, withdraw her last man from the occupied territory in Germany. Britain not long ago was willing to enter into an arrangement with the Allies of the late war by which there would be a mutual cancellation of their debts, at a loss to herself, but the United States did not favour the proposition. France has, with her greatly increased national debt, been for long anxious to obtain relief from these war commitments, and has now brought the subject up again. It is altogether very embarrassing for Britain, who is faced with the equally unpleasant alternatives of either becoming involved in further intricacies of international finance or definitely breaking the considerably weakened links that still hold together the old Entente. It is regrettable, if it is true, that there should be any question of bargaining over France's possible attitude at the Lausanne conference. The British nation seems to be faced, in short, with something very formidable in the way of foreign policy, and our diplomats will have a trying time these next few weeks. Our Government has been decided from time to time for "muddling through" various crises. This is no time for muddling, and we hope that our representatives at these international councils will see the country through without

having to treat on anybody's terms or leave a feeling of bitterness where we would look for one of cordial friendliness. From what we can see of the trend of affairs, however, there is small ground for optimism.

To return to the question of exacting reparations from Germany, we think it is time all the Allies recognised the bare fact that the Germans do not intend to pay more than they actually must, and, more important still, that coercion is likely to make matters worse instead of better. The latest German proposals have been rejected by the Allied Premiers, but, with one or two exceptions, the countries concerned are chary of instituting further repressive measures. An extended occupation of German territory would, if the "enemy" is manipulating its currency, increase deflation; and even if, as the Germans claim, the fall in exchange is due to natural causes, repression would augment instead of diminish this state of affairs. It is unfortunate at this juncture that Germany should be able to discern disunion in the Allied ranks. One nation holds aloof, another nurses a policy which meets with small endorsement from the rest, and each party cannot quite forget the possibilities of gaining some small diplomatic advantage. It is indeed a gloomy outlook.

"Squeeze."

Dr. Sherwood Eddy, the veteran Y. M. C. A. worker, spoke nothing but the truth when, in his first address in Hongkong, he traced China's present plight to one factor—"squeeze." Financial bankruptcy, lack of adequate educational facilities, unexploited natural resources—all these are to be accounted for by the sorry fact that China's politicians take office not for the purpose of serving their country, but solely in order to enrich themselves at the expense of others. There are exceptions to this, we know, but the honest politician or administrator in China to-day is in a hopeless minority. The coming of the so-called Republicanism has not improved matters in this respect—the evil is quite as pronounced to-day as ever it was. All these political manoeuvres in Peking, and in the provinces as well, are nothing other than movements by individuals or by parties seeking to gain for themselves the spoils of office. Corruption is rampant throughout the length and breadth of the land. Dr. Eddy noted with gratification the signs of a new spirit amongst the younger generation. That movement is altogether admirable in motive, even if a trifle extreme in its manifestation. But the trouble is that its patriotic sponsors are, very largely, voices crying in the wilderness—they are not in power, and many of them are as yet unfitted for office. It is from this source, however, that we may eventually see China working out her own salvation—that is, if the enthusiasm of these young men can be tempered down to a realisation of practicalities. The process may be, and probably will be, a slow and painful one, but if salvation is not to come from this quarter, frankly we cannot see whence it can emanate. The country needs powerful, disinterested, and high-minded leaders, but she still looks in vain for the strong man to arise.

Too Trustful.

The Sunday Times has put the situation in regard to the Washington Naval Treaty very plainly. Great Britain, it points out, has regarded the Treaty as binding, but other nations apparently have no intention of ratifying it, the result being that we are relatively weaker at sea than ever we have been before. If the Treaty lapses, Great Britain will be about equal with Japan in capital ships, and decidedly inferior to the United States. No wonder the present situation is described as "an amazing sequel" to the Washington conference. From the facts that have recently been disclosed, it would appear that Britain has been made the "goat" of the whole business. John Bull's trustfulness again works to his own detriment. Is this sort of thing to go on for ever? We enter conferences in a spirit of conciliation, willing to

DAY BY DAY.

CHEER UP, THE FIRST 1922 YEARS ARE ALWAYS THE HARDEST.

Mr. Kum Cheong assumed office as Chief of the Canton Municipality yesterday.

The N.Y.K. has issued an effectively coloured office calendar for 1923, which shows the months' dates in bold figures.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bucknell, of Peking, have arrived at Canton where Mr. Bucknell will be the Vice Consul for the United States.

There was a fire at Homunin in the early hours of this morning. Starting in a wooden hut, it spread rapidly, and altogether twelve huts in the vicinity were destroyed.

There will be a Tea dance at the Helena May Institute on Thursday next, December 14th, at 5.30 p.m. Tickets, one dollar each, should be obtained beforehand from the Secretary.

The Commander-in-Chief of the Cantonese Army has appointed General Wong Keong, director-general of the Kwangtung Arsenal, concurrently commandant of the aviation station in Canton city.

Judge Milton D. Purdy arrived here by the President Jackson from Manila. He was formerly Assistant Attorney-General of the United States, and in 1908-9 was Judge for the District of Minneapolis.

In connection with the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's bazaar, the winning ticket of the silver pique bag raffle was No. 140, whilst the winning ticket of the eight-day clock raffle was No. 113.

In connection with the Fokien situation, our Canton correspondent reports that a steamer conveying forty cases of silver coins, 250 cases of ammunition and 20,000 cotton jackets left yesterday for Swatow.

Mr. Hodgson, chief officer of the Mau Sang, has reported to the police that on Sunday a thief entered the master's cabin and stole a pair of shoes, a portmanteau and a pair of binoculars, to the total value of \$112.

Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie and Co. send us a copy of the P. & O. and British India Companies' diary and almanack for 1923, which contains much interesting matter in relation to shipping and other affairs.

Our Canton correspondent states that the Postmaster General has ignored the Civil Governor's order to abolish the increased postal duties, even demanding that official communications be fully stamped.

Messrs. Pohoomull Bros. have issued two very effective seasonal reminders—one a smart plated desk calendar, with movable dates; and the other an artistic fan bearing a 1923 calendar and a pretty coloured reproduction of the Indian arch erected in honour of the visit of the Prince of Wales to Hongkong.

The Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald gave a most interesting lecture on "Star Clusters and Nebulae" at the Helena May Institute last evening. His remarks were listened to with much interest, and the informative nature of the discourse was much appreciated. At the close, the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp expressed thanks to the lecturer.

make concessions even where vital issues are at stake. We act as we promise to do, only to find that others hold back. Assuredly when events turn out as they are now doing in regard to this naval question it is enough to make us chary of entering into any international compact. Sea-power is vital to the British Empire. Yet we appear to be losing it because we make the mistake of thinking that others are sincere in their professed desire to cut down expenditure on warships. If the situation does not improve in the near future, Britain will be thoroughly justified in paddling her own canoe in her own way. A bargain is a bargain, but only when all the parties to it fulfil their obligations and honour their promises.

THE CANTON LOAN.

Consortium May Participate.

With reference to the much-discussed Canton loan, the Canton Times says Government House and the local agent of the Anglo-French-China Corporation, Ltd., Mr. Charles S. Paget, when seen said that they have received word from London that, owing to the political and financial situation, the Corporation has requested an extension of payment for three months from the date of coinage contract received by the Corporation in London, the contract reaching there on December 1st. According to the coinage loan contract, the first payment of one-fourth of the two million pounds sterling loan proceeds was to have been paid within thirty days after the receipt of the contract in London. The Canton Government has granted the request for extension but requires a fixed date of payment as a prime consideration, desiring the first payment from the coinage loan to be fixed for February 1st and subsequent instalments according to contract.

It is believed that when the American members of the Consortium learned of the favourable terms and strong security of the proposed bonds of the Canton Government, particularly the coinage and the municipal issues, they made a protest with a desire to participate in them. The Anglo-French-China Corporation is considering to meet the views of the other members of the Consortium, but requires more time to go into the matter.

In September and October last, the Canton Government and Mr. George L. Brander, of the Anglo-French-China Corporation, concluded preliminary arrangements to issue Canton Government bonds in London for the purpose of currency rehabilitation and municipal improvements, two million pounds sterling for each project.

Small Loans Successful.

To meet emergency payments, the Canton Government has just contracted several loans. A sum of \$300,000 has been borrowed from the Salt Merchants Guild; \$50,000, Kwangtung Yuen-Han Railroad Company; \$20,000 Canton-Samshui Railroad, and small sums from the pawn-shops and different district magistrates, totalling more than \$350,000.

40 MILES AN HOUR.

A Speed Merchant in Queen's Road.

That he was driving a motor-car at 35-40 miles an hour was the allegation made against the driver of Dr. Woo's car, in a traffic summons which came before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Magistracy this morning. The offence occurred at five minutes to nine on the morning of the fourth. Mr. R. E. Atwell said he was driving a motor-cycle and sidecar along Queen's Road, travelling west. He was near the Dockyard and his off wheel was on the inside of the tramlines, going west. On the other side of the road was a motor-car proceeding east. Behind was defendant's car, a blue Essex, proceeding in the same direction. The second car shot out from behind, round a lamp standard, and round to the right. In making the turn, defendant's car skidded violently and the whole car shook. Witness estimated the speed at 35 miles an hour.

Mr. F. J. de Rome, the passenger in the sidecar, estimated defendant's speed at 40 miles an hour.

Defendant told the Court that the doctor had telephoned for him, and he wanted to go and fetch his wrist watch. He admitted that he was going over 20 miles an hour.

A fine of \$30 was inflicted.

HIS "POUND OF FLESH."

Dealing With a Debtor.

There are more ways of dealing with a debtor than taking him to the Summary Court. A Sanitary Board coolie owed another follower of the same occupation the sum of \$4. Creditor's methods were rather drastic. He attacked debtor with a hammer and hit him in the groin. Debtor brought creditor before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Magistracy this morning, and charged him with assault. Fined \$3 and bound over.

INTERESTING RENTS CASE.

Alleged Male Fides Notice.

An interesting rents case came before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Magistracy this morning. The parties were two Chinese. Mr. F. E. Nash appeared for complainant, and defendant was represented by Mr. M. K. Lo.

Mr. Nash explained that complainant occupied No. 13 Pokfulam Road. Defendant was the owner of seven houses, of which No. 13 was one. In October, defendant entered into an agreement for the purchase of this property and completed the sale in December, 1921. Through her agent she entered into an arrangement with an architect to make certain alterations. Messrs. Raven and Raven examined the premises in October and plans were submitted to the building authorities. These plans were not approved and between October and March various others were sent in. On March 23rd, plans were approved. Defendant sent in notice to quit, purporting to be in accordance with the law. Messrs. Raven and Raven sent a letter asking complainant to move out, pointing out that the owner had given them the necessary notice and they had to quit. In consequence of that notice, and what took place between the agents and defendant, the tenants left the premises. Mr. Nash submitted that the notice sent to the tenants was male fides and defendants were liable to a penalty under the Act.

Evidence was then taken. The case was adjourned.

A fine of \$1 was imposed.

THE SECOND ATTEMPT.

Magistrate Advises Unhappy Woman.

A respectfully dressed Chinese woman appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning, charged with attempting to commit suicide.

Inspt. Caygill explained that sometime ago the woman charged her husband with stealing \$800 from her. The man was discharged from lack of evidence. He thought this had been preying on her mind.

Mr. Lindsell—I understand this is the second time you have tried to commit suicide.

Defendant admitted that once before she tried to jump overboard. She found it difficult to get a living.

The Magistrate—But you have decent clothes on.

The woman then commenced to tell the story of how a man took all her money.

Inspt. Caygill mentioned that the day before people came up to the Police Station and tried to bail her out.

Mr. Lindsell to defendant:—You see, you have friends willing to look after you.

Defendant thought that was probably her daughter.

Mr. Lindsell pointed out to her the foolishness of her action and advised her to go back to her daughter.

Defendant promised not to attempt to take her life again and she was bound over for 12 months in the sum of \$100.

HOCKEY.

The following will represent the Club in a match against H.M.S. Tamar at 5 p.m. to-morrow (Wednesday) at Happy Valley:—A. Bower, G. Murray, W. W. Mackenzie, E. G. England, F. H. Holdman, E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), G. H. Piercy, H. Remington, Rev. N. Evans, F. C. Miller and F. Schaepeel.

LADY PIONEER OF TIBET. The death took place recently of Miss Annie Royle Taylor, whose name has been familiar as a member of the China Inland Mission and as a worker in connection with Tibet. She sailed for China in the autumn of 1884, and was subsequently led to devote her services entirely to Tibet, for which purpose she resigned from the Mission in 1893. Her journeyings in that "roof of the world" totalled some 1,300 miles, and travelling is hard and slow. The great hardships and strain of those years and the effects of poison permanently ruined her health and compelled her to return to England. After a prolonged period of illness and retirement in this country, she has succumbed.

AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

Growth of Commonwealth's Trade.

We have received from the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce a copy of the annual report for 1922 of the Australian Bureau of Commerce and Industry.

There is a great deal of interesting material dealing with Australia's foreign commerce. We extract the following portions of the report, which have special reference to China:

Mr. E. S. Little, Australian Trade Commissioner in China, arrived in China in June, 1921, so that his work there has extended over a period of just a year.

During the year some idea of his endeavours to push Australian trade may be gathered from the fact that, arising from advice received from him, the Bureau has addressed well over a thousand letters to business interests in all States directly in connection with trade with China.

Much useful information in respect of the financial terms and trade practices of the East has been disseminated in Australia, and the placing of Australian merchants in touch with reliable importers in China is a constant and important feature of the Commissioner's work.

Sleepers for Chinese Railways.

The Commissioner has been engaged for some time past in a campaign to direct the attention of the Chinese Government, to Australia as the source of supplies for their requirements. He has approached not only the Chinese Government, but also every railway line and construction engineer in China, with a view to the introduction of Australian sleepers. That this campaign is bearing fruit is evidenced by the recent notification issued by the Tientsin-Pukow and the Canton-Kowloon Railway Authorities calling only for hardwood sleepers, and by the fact that just recently a contract for 80,000 sleepers was let to Tasmanian interests, and that arrangements are pending for a further shipment of 100,000.

Direct Shipping Needed.

The necessity for a direct shipping service between Australia and Shanghai has been stressed not only by the Australian Trade Commissioner in China but by the numerous Australian merchants who are interested in the trade with the East.

Many of the defects attributed to Australian wares in China are directly caused by transshipment which, besides retarding trade in many commodities, baulks any attempt to exploit the fresh fruit trade in China.

The Director has brought the matter of direct service to China before the Hon. the Minister for Customs, who is making every endeavour to find some means of surmounting what is probably the greatest hindrance to the extension of trade between the two countries.

A PERSISTENT STOWAWAY.

American Gets Seven Days.

Charles Hansen, an American, appeared before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Magistracy this morning, charged with being a stowaway in the Patrick Henry, a cargo vessel belonging to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company.

It appears that Hansen came to Hongkong from Manila some time ago by one of the "President" vessels. Being unable to obtain employment in the Colony, he wished to get back to Manila to his wife and children. At nine o'clock on Sunday night he was found by the Captain of the Patrick Henry in the fore-castle. Defendant was ordered to leave the vessel and went away. Later he was found in the store-room. When ordered off the ship he became abusive and he was put in irons. Later defendant became more reasonable and the master allowed him to go ashore. Yesterday morning the Patrick Henry was searched for stowaways and defendant was again found in the store-room. He was handed over to the Water Police.

When the case came up this morning, Mr. Wood asked defendant why he remained on board.

Defendant replied that he wanted to get back to his wife.

Mr. J. O. Sheppard, manager of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co., said the case seemed a hard one and he did not want to press it, but the Captain accused defendant of having used abusive and threatening language.

Defendant was sent to prison for seven days.

DAY BY DAY.

A plot of land in Bridges Street, Inland Lot 2409, was sold by auction at the offices of the P.W.D. yesterday afternoon to Messrs. Ma Tsui-chiu and Yu Yat-yue for \$110,000. The lot consists of 3,750 square feet and the price paid works out at over \$12 a square foot. The upset price was \$43,600.

The health return for the past week shows six cases of diphtheria (described in the return as one Scottish, one British and four Chinese), four of enteric fever (one Indian, one British and two Chinese), and one of cerebro-spinal fever (Chinese). One diphtheria and one enteric case proved fatal. There were also five Chinese deaths from influenza.

For driving his motor car without a rear light, Mr. J. Parsons, of 15, Humphreys Buildings, Kowloon, was today fined \$3 by Mr. R. E. Lindsell. Defendant complained that the light railway lines across the Lai Chi Kok road "bumped" cars so much that it was not to be wondered at that rear lights became extinguished. He had been driving a motor for three years, and he had never before infringed any of the regulations.

A report has just been made to the Harbour Office by the Hong S.S. Company, concerning the last voyage to Canton of the S.S. Chong Ya, an ocean-going vessel belonging to the Company. The report states that the vessel left Hongkong on the morning of December 1st, for Canton and that at 8.30 p.m. the ship ran aground on the 2nd Bar. No damage was done to the ship and, after 300 tons of cargo had been discharged, the ship was got afloat again by mid night on the 4th. The steamer then proceeded on her way to Canton.

A TRIPLE WEDDING.

Three Brothers to Marry Three Sisters.

The three sons of Mr. Fung Shun-hing of the Fung and Sons Art Institute of Siao Woo Street, Canton, and the three daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Kao Lok-chuen, of Honam, will be married next Thursday, December 14, when a triple wedding will be held. Mr. Chen Tai-lin, a local lawyer, will be master of ceremony and witness for the wedding, which will be in the new form. The three young men are artists, while the three young women are good Chinese musicians, all having appeared in local entertainments.—Canton Times.

DR. DE COLBERT.

Delay in His Release.

Our Canton correspondent reports that, due to some unexplained reason, the release of Dr. de Colbert, which was to have taken place to-morrow, has been postponed.

It will be recalled that some months ago, Dr. de Colbert, who claims that he is a German citizen, was arrested in a hospital at Canton on suspicion of being implicated in a series of bomb outrages. He has since been held in custody, along with his Chinese interpreter, but it was announced a few days ago that he was to be released on the 13th, instant owing to lack of evidence.

TO-MORROW'S CRICKET.

The Medicos' Team.

The following team of Doctors will play against the team of Padres on the Cricket Club ground commencing at 11 a.m. to-morrow:—Captain D. Pettes, R.A.M.C.; Major D. L. Harding, R.A.M.C.; Colonel L. Humphry, R.A.M.C.; Commander Hunt, H.M.S. Tamar; Major J. R. Lloyd, R.A.M.C.; Dr. Lyon-Brown; Commander Lindop, H.M.S. Hawkins; Commander Peregrine, H.M.S. Petersfield; Major P. S. Tomlinson, R.A.M.C.; Captain K.A.M. Tomory, R.A.M.C., and A. N. Other.

A Saturday Fixture.

The following have been selected to play for the Hongkong Cricket Club in a friendly match against the Civil Service Cricket Club on the Club ground at 2.15 p.m. on Saturday, 16th instant:—T. E. Pearce (Capt.), L. J. Davies, R. E. A. Webster, H. Owen Hughes, A. A. Claxton, A. N. Wild, B. D. C. Morgan, F. H. Farthing, G. A. Chadwick, J. D. Humphreys and A. K. MacKenzie.

EASTERN ITEMS.

News from Other Centres.

The wedding took place at Penang on Nov. 28th, of Mr. Arthur F. Worthington, British Adviser to H. H. the Sultan of Kelantan, and Miss Kathleen Isobel Barker, youngest daughter of Colonel F.C. and Mrs. Barker, of Carlingford, Ireland.

Judgment in the civil suit, Central Milling Agency versus the Chief Secretary to the Government, was delivered in the F.M.S. Supreme Court on Nov. 28th. Mr. Justice Farrer-Mann, in dismissing the claim, held that the Government, having paid \$100,000, had paid enough.

His Royal Highness Prince Buda of Siam, accompanied by the Princess, was due in Rangoon towards the end of last month on a five weeks' visit for the purpose of studying the working of the co-operative system in Burma. During their stay the Prince and Princess are the guests of Sir Reginald and Lady Craddock at Government House.

Another big seizure of morphia is reported to have been effected last week in Shanghai. The N.Y.K. Nikko Maru (Capt. Shinomiya) arrived there from Japan on Wednesday, and as usual the Maritime Customs searching party went on board. Hidden away in a secluded spot they found morphia to the value of Tls. 40,000.

Stephen Power was again brought up in the British Consular Court at Tientsin, before Mr. Russell Brown, on December 1st, on various charges of wrongfully taking money of the Sun Life Insurance Co. of Canada. At the conclusion of the hearing he was committed for trial in the Supreme Court, and bail not being forthcoming, was sent to jail in the interim.

Mr. Wong Tsz-weng, head of the paint department of The Sincere Company, committed suicide at his home in Chapei, Shanghai, on December 3rd, by cutting his throat with a razor. A report was immediately given to the Chapei authorities and a Chinese Coroner came to the house where an inquest was held. The Coroner, after the inquest, returned a verdict of suicide. It is said that the man tried to commit suicide a year ago by drowning.

The ninth annual meeting of the American Far Eastern Bar Association was held, pursuant to the Constitutional requirement, at the United States Court Room, at Shanghai, on December 4, Judge Lobinger presiding. The minutes of the last previous meeting were read and approved. The following new members were elected: Isador A. Landesman, Walter Chalmers, Elijah Anthony, Sidney A. Moss, Gustave Lang (Associate membership).

Mr. William T. Payne, until a few weeks ago manager in Japan and China of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd., is to have conferred upon him the Third Class Order of the Rising Sun by the Emperor of Japan, in recognition of his eminent services in the promotion of trade and good relations between Japan and Canada. Mr. Payne is already in possession of the Third Order of the Sacred Treasure, and the Fourth Class Order of the Rising Sun.

Mr. Max Hamilton, recently a student interpreter at the American Legation in Peking, has left Shanghai for Canton, where he will work with Mr. Tenney.

All Saints' Church, Tientsin, was recently the scene of a pretty wedding when Mr. Henry Hutchinson Lennox, M.C., son of Mr. W. Lennox, of Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland, was married to Miss Ivy Doreen Banham, daughter of Mr. Frederick C. Banham, of Shanghai.

Described as an unemployed civil engineer, James Money was sent to prison for 14 days by His Honour Judge Grain (sitting as Police Court Magistrate) at H.M. Police Court at Shanghai, last week, for begging, and assaulting Mr. F. G. Sabel, the commander of a Customs cruiser.

Impressive services for the late Captain John Snodgrass, of the Shanghai Municipal Council Secretariat, were held on December 6th, at the Bubbling Well Cemetery before a large gathering of friends, representatives of the Settlement Government, and a detachment of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps. Full military

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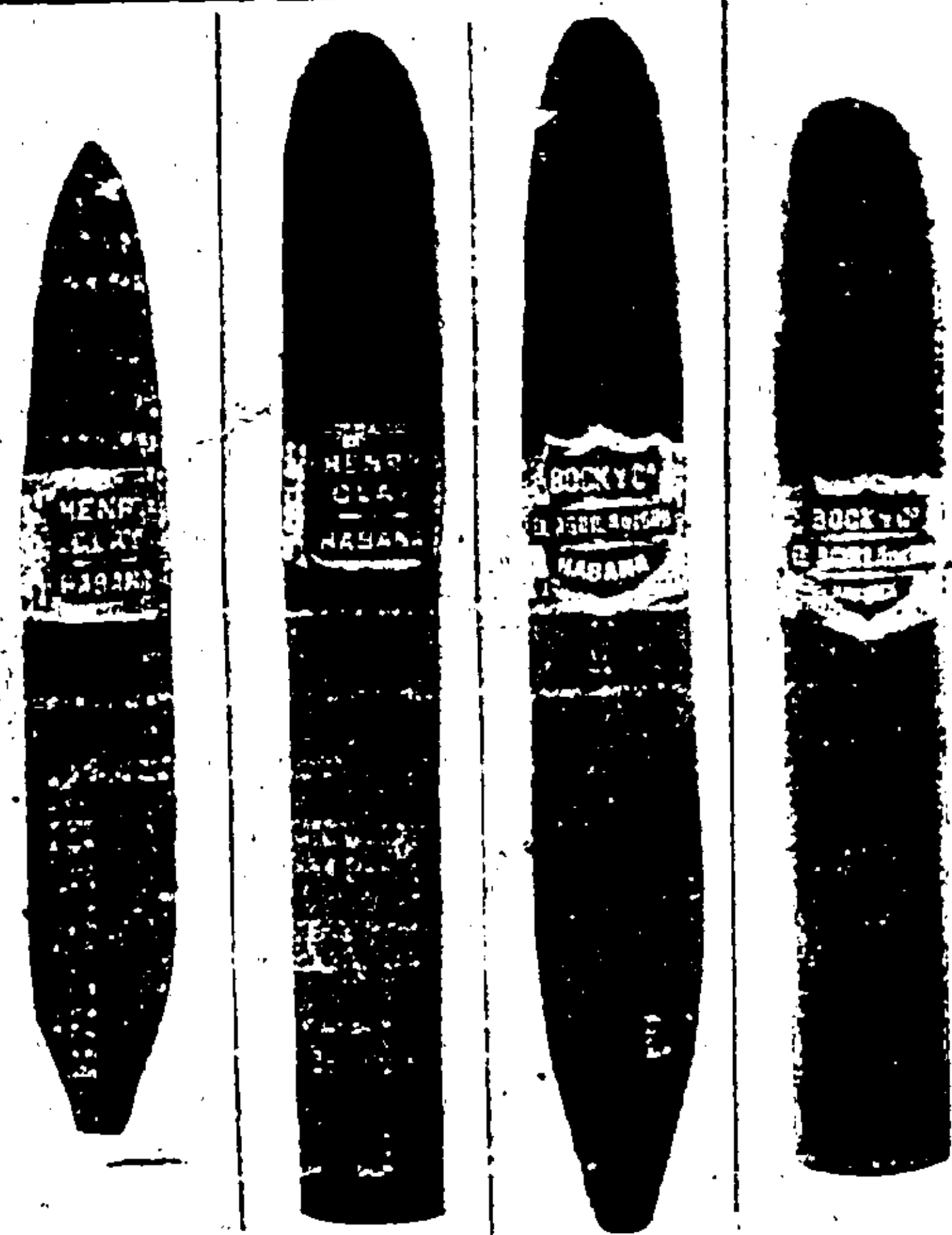
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"SUI AN" ENQUIRY.

C.S.P. Gives Evidence.

The Captain Superintendent of Police (Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe) was the principal witness at the Sui An enquiry yesterday afternoon. Mr. J. R. Wood again presided and all the Commissioners and the solicitors interested were present.

Mr. Wolfe, questioned by the Chairman, said that about a month before the Sui An piracy, he had been instructed by the Commissioner to take the Sui An into custody. He had the inspection not taken place, he personally would not have felt unhappy about it, as the Captain of the Sui An had the reputation of being one of the best masters, from the police point of view, on the Macao run. Capt. Goss was particularly careful to see he had good guards and always kept them up to their work. The police were quite satisfied with the way he looked after his guards.

The Chairman asked whether the police accepted responsibility for seeing that regulation 33 relating to cargo was observed.

Mr. Wolfe replied that he considered it was the duty of the police to observe that regulation if it was found necessary to do so. There were certain of the regulations which it had been found not possible strictly to enforce. He personally accepted full responsibility for carrying out the arrangements made by his predecessor. Instructions had been given to carry out the regulations with a minimum of hardship to the travelling public. Regulation No. 33 had not been observed because he considered it impracticable. It was impossible to separate the average Chinese passenger from his baggage. There had been instances where the police had found cargo on the deck and ordered its removal. Mr. Wolfe said he found that he could quite successfully carry out the piracy prevention regulations without strictly enforcing the separation of passengers from their cargo and baggage. The search made at Hongkong was sufficiently complete to ensure that.

The Hongkong Search.

The Chairman: Are the guards directed to assist the police in searching?

Mr. Wolfe: Because of serious friction between the guards and the travelling public, on account of the former searching the C.S.P. ordered that the guards should not, in future, carry out this duty in Hongkong. The search is conducted entirely by the police. The guards have, however, definite instructions to search at ports outside the Colony, where passengers embark for Hongkong.

What instructions have the guards about preventing arms and ammunition being smuggled on board?—Originally guards were only on duty during the voyage, but now there are guards on duty while the ship is in port. Their main duty is to prevent arms and ammunition being smuggled on board.

Further questioned, the Captain Superintendent of Police expressed the view that he was satisfied that the search in Hongkong was most efficiently carried out. In proof of this, he mentioned that only two boats going out from Hongkong had been pirated since 1911. The one case was that of the Sui Yui, which called at Shaukeiwan without the permission of the police authorities and the guards failed to search the people who got on board there. The other was a case in which the pirates conveyed arms on board in a large clock. That, he thought, was the only instance in which the police failed to take sufficient precautions, and the officer responsible was punished.

The Opium Monoplist.

Asked whether he had any general remarks to make about the Sui An piracy, Mr. Wolfe said: "There is only one point to which I should like to draw attention, and that is I am of the opinion the pirates did not intend to hold up the ship for what they could actually get from the passengers, but had information, or thought they had information, that there was going to be a large sum of money on board. It was in consequence of this belief that they made the attack on the steamer. Mr. Wolfe drew attention to regulation number 51, which stated that the C.S.P. should be notified when any treasure was carried on board and there was likelihood of a piratical attack. He had corresponded with Mr. Arnold, Secretary of the Steamboat Company, who had told him that for the past five years no treasure had been carried. He had made careful enquiries from the comprador department and was informed that the opium monopolist of Macao had never shipped treasure through the Macao boat. He emphasised that persons carrying large sums of money on board, unknown to the steamship company, took upon

themselves a very grave responsibility, and he strongly recommended a new regulation, making it an offence to do so. "I would most strongly urge some measure of this kind," Mr. Wolfe added, "because it places the travelling public in considerable danger and may have most disastrous results."

In reply to Commander Beckwith, Mr. Wolfe said the guards generally selected for duty with river boats were men with military experience. The guards had not done any deal with the police for some time. He understood that some of the Masters on the West River steamers allowed the guards to do a certain amount of practice with revolvers during the voyage.

Commander Beckwith: It seems to me that if these men are armed with revolvers and cannot fire them, they are more dangerous to friend than foe.

Mr. Wolfe agreed, and added that he encouraged the guards to practise the use of the revolver at sea.

Regulations Effective.

In reply to Mr. White the C.S.P. repeated that it was absolutely impossible to enforce the regulation relating to baggage. "You try to take baggage from a Chinese lady passenger and you will find that it will take more than two guards to do it," he added. In the case of the Chinese woman who got on the Sui An at Hongkong she strongly objected to being searched, but she was searched before boarding.

Mr. Mel Messer asked the C.S.P. to express his view as to whether the piracy prevention regulations were of any use.

Mr. Wolfe replied, taking the regulations altogether—the use of grills and other measures—thought it had been shown that pirates could be prevented and had been prevented. The very few pirates that had occurred during the last few years he put down solely to the existence of the regulations. He did not think the Sui An piracy would have occurred if the same search was made at the other end as was done at Hongkong.

Mr. Lake mentioned that during the last 20 years there had been 15 pirates—three fishing junks, two steam launches, five river steamers, three not stated and two coasting steamers. Since 1911 there had been five river steamers pirated, three occurring within the last few months. He asked whether it would be an advantage to add a regulation fixing the responsibility for the organisation of a defensive scheme against piratical attacks.

Mr. Wolfe thought the idea a good one. He pointed out, however, that in the case of the Sui An he did not think the Captain anticipated that the pirates would adopt the new scheme of locking in all three classes. Had the guards had only the second and third class passengers to deal with, he thought that probably they might have been successful. If his information was correct, the pirates were in the first class as well, which made it extremely difficult for the Captain to legislate for that emergency. Under the condition that existed, he thought it very unlikely that the Captain could have saved his ship from being pirated, even if all the grills had been closed.

Mr. Lake: Do you think the grill an effective form of defence?

Mr. Wolfe: By itself alone, no. The Chairman pointed out that the evidence before the Commission, regarding the piracy, did not show any activity in the first class.

Piracy Warning.

Mr. Wolfe mentioned that he understood there was a recent ruling, that any ship carrying wireless need not comply with the piracy regulations. He personally considered that was wrong.

The Chairman mentioned that the subject would be considered under the second heading.

Replying to Mr. Shenton, the C.S.P. said he thought the piracy could have been prevented if a proper search had been made at Macao. In Canton passengers were searched.

Mr. Shenton: Have you heard of anybody receiving any warning of this piracy?

Mr. Wolfe: I have enquired into that, and as far as I can gather there is no doubt about it that the manager of the opium firm in Macao, who I presume had been shipping money, evidently got anxious that something might happen. I do not know whether he was definitely warned, but he had some suspicion that there might be trouble, and he did not ship any money on the boat. I understand also that another member of the Chinese community gave it out that the boat would be attacked, because he was in a position to know that money was coming from Macao to Hongkong in the ship.

During the course of further examination Mr. Wolfe said that had the enquiry been into a shipwreck, everybody would have

been asking why the grills were not open, but as it was an enquiry into a piracy they wanted to know why the grills were not closed. He mentioned that some years ago a shipwreck occurred which resulted in great loss of life because the grills were closed.

Mr. A. M. d'Foa, a passenger on the Sui An, mentioned that he saw a male pirate in women's clothes. He was sure "she" was a male because he heard "her" speaking to others. He saw no first-class pirates.

Sub-Inspector C. P. Fallon gave evidence of the search methods adopted in Hongkong. There were 25 Chinese male searchers, six Chinese females and three Europeans. The Sui An was a very easy ship to search.

Secretary's Evidence.

Mr. J. Arnold, the Secretary of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, detailed the equipment carried on the Sui An, which was in excess of that required by the regulations. He put in correspondence, showing the instructions given the Captain regarding piracy regulations, and mentioned the steps taken by him immediately he was informed the Sui An had not arrived from Macao. He said he surmised that the vessel had either got stuck on the mud at Macao on account of the very low tide there that day, that there had been a breakdown of machinery or that the vessel had been requisitioned by the Macao Government in accordance with an arrangement made during the recent trouble there for placing women and children on board. It was impossible, he said, to get into telegraphic communication with Macao on the Sunday. A message was sent first thing Monday morning and the Hongkong was despatched in search.

Replying to Mr. Shenton, Mr. Arnold gave it as his opinion that regulations should be framed having in view primarily fire, secondly shipwreck and thirdly piracy.

The Chairman mentioned that the last public sitting of the Commission would be held on Wednesday afternoon, when five witnesses would be called.

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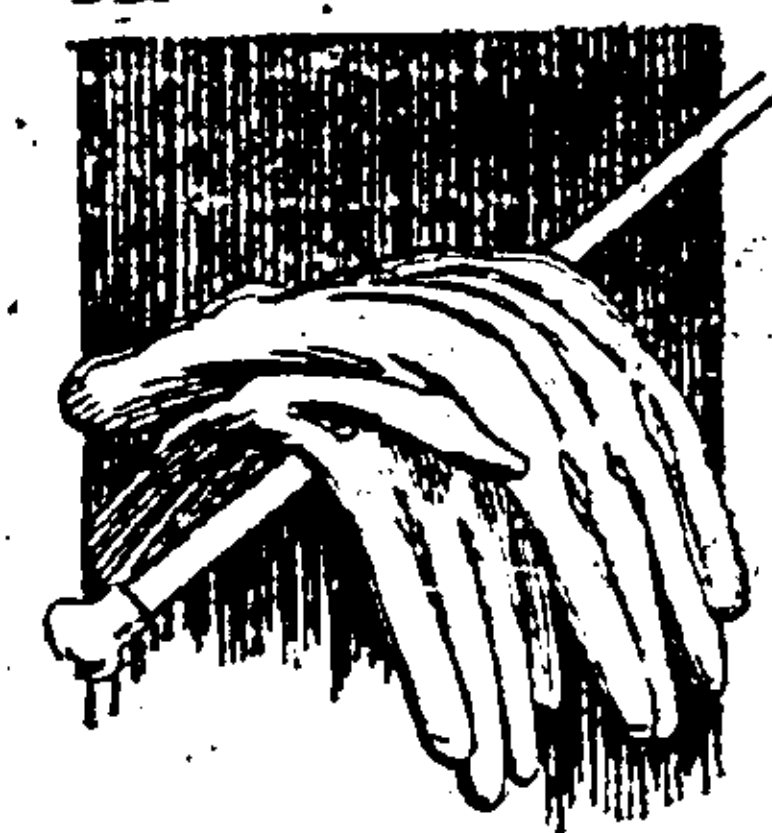
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Is an unsatisfactory job. Begin now to SAVE regularly and you will have something substantial in your possession for old age.

A NEW LOCAL BANK.—Starting business to-day, December 5, gives you her choice and opportunity for saving YOUR MONEY. We can make your money grow.

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BANK ADDRESS.—5, Duddell Street, Hongkong.

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CHIU CHU KEH, Manager, Hongkong December 5th, 1922.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. THE ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE INC.

The Steamship "PRESIDENT JACKSON" having arrived from Manila P.I. via ports, on 12th Dec. consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or Extra-Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. at Kowloon & stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on 18th Dec. by the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Anderson & Ashie.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamship's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after 19th Dec. will be subject to rent. No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send their Bills of Lading to countersignatures immediately.

THE ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE INC. United States Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corporation Managing Agents THE ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE INC. No. 4, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hongkong, 12th Dec. 1922.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Members of The Royal Hongkong Golf Club, will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, on Monday the 15th day of December 1922, at 5.15 p.m.

To Receive from the Committee a Report, Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th September 1922.

To Consider, and if thought expedient, pass a Resolution continuing the additional subscription of \$2.00 per month until the 31st December 1924.

To Elect Officers, Members of the Committee and an Auditor for the ensuing year.

To Decide on any Resolution which may be submitted to the Secretaries & Treasurers, four days prior to the Meeting.

Any Other Business.

By Order of the Committee, PERCY SMITH, SETH & FLEMING, Secretaries & Treasurers.

Hongkong, 7th Dec., 1922. Nominations for members of the General Committee should reach the Secretaries & Treasurers not later than 5 p.m. on Thursday the 14th December 1922.

FRENCH CONVENT Causeway Bay

In aid of the Orphans and Destitutes of Hongkong and neighbouring Provinces, who are maintained by the Sisters of the Convent.

SALE OF WORK comprising a large assortment of linen embroidery and miscellaneous articles suitable for Xmas Gifts.

will take place on the 18th, 19th and 20th December. Open daily from 9 a.m. to 7 a.m. On the closing day of the Sale, Wednesday 20th Dec., at 5.30 p.m. the pupils of the Convent will give an entertainment for adults in aid of the same fund.

Tickets \$1.00 Obtainable from the Convent and Music Stores.

On Thursday, 21st Dec., at 5.30 p.m., the above entertainment will be repeated for school children.

Ticket 50 cents.

NOTICE.

WE beg to announce that we have just received a small shipment of "LOEWE" and "WEINGOTT" Briar Pipes which we are disposing at very reasonable prices. TABAQUERIA FILIPINA, 38 Queen's Road Central, Phone C. 3559.

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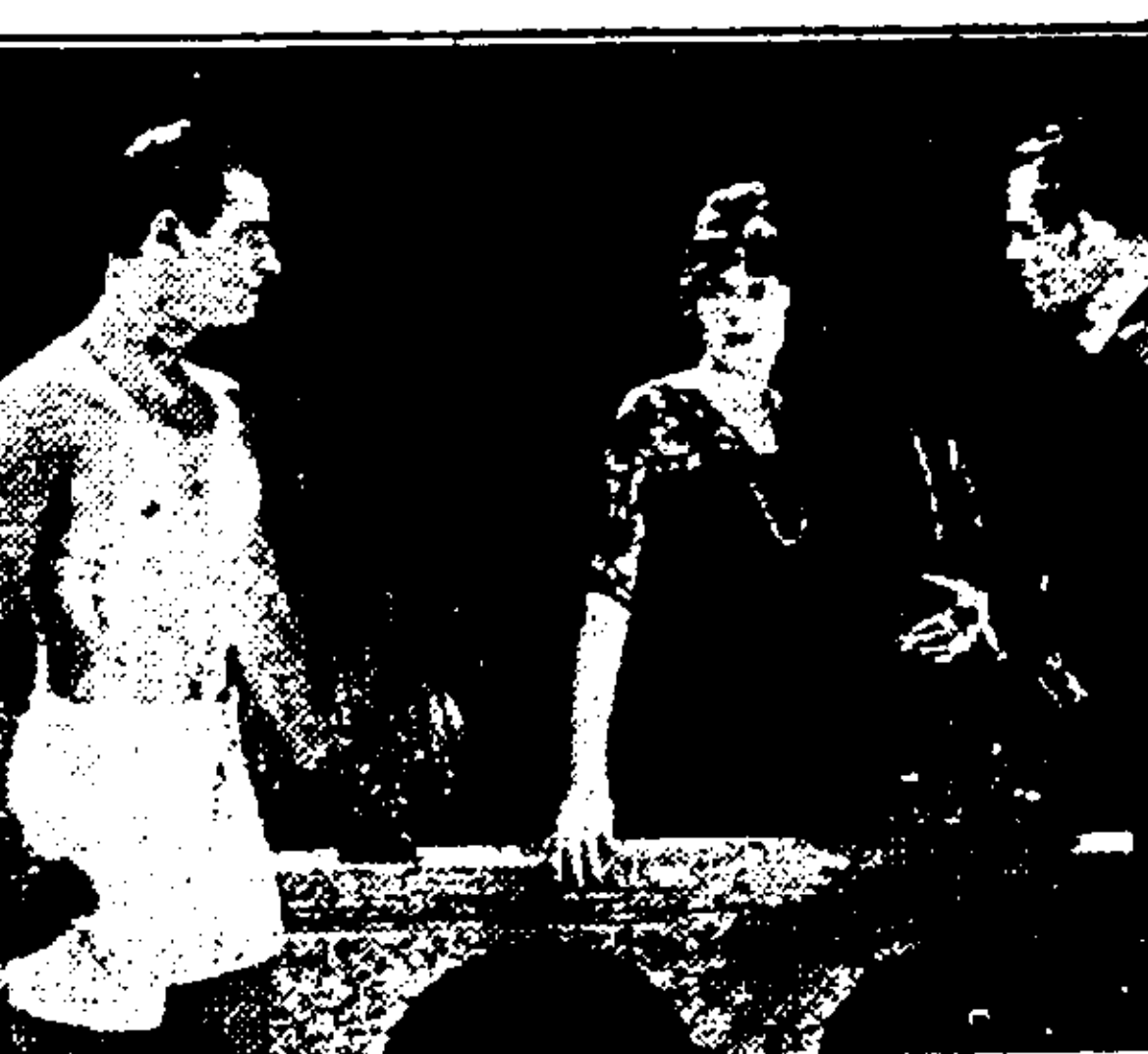
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Commencing from WEDNESDAY, the 13th inst.

WORLD THEATRE

CURIO AUCTION.

A large collection of Chinese porcelain, ivory and Curios, the property of a naval officer, will be sold by auction at Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH'S Ice House Street, FRIDAY, the 15th December, at 2.30 p.m.

On view the previous day. Catalogues will be issued. This is one of the finest private collections that has been sold in Hongkong for many years.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

WE have this moved our Offices to the ground floor of 5, Queen's Road Central, between Mercantile Bank and Netherlands. Trading Society). THE PEOPLE'S SAVINGS CORPORATION LTD. 7th December, 1922.

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PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on Wednesday, the 13th Dec. 1922 commencing at 2.30 p.m. at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

A large Selection of Toys, comprising—

Dolls, teaset, motor cars, foot balls, rocking horses, stockings, furniture sets, and various other toys.

Also X'mas Crackers. On view from Tuesday, the 12th inst.

Terms: Cash on delivery. LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on Thursday, the 14th Dec., 1922, commencing at 11 a.m. at No. 18 Godown of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd., Kowloon.

39 cases Beer, 10 cases Cocktail, 231 Sacks Flour, 2 cases Aloes, 1 case Cigarettes.

And A Quantity of Plate Cuttings, etc.

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on Monday, the 18th Dec., 1922, commencing at 2.30 a.m. at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

A Selection of Fancy Goods, comprising—

French Porcelain, Bronze Figures, Silver and Electric Plated ware, Clocks, Trays, Vases etc., etc.

Also Fine Crystal Cut Glass Bowls, Plates, Vases, Decanter, Jugs, Jardiniere, Candelsticks, Spirit Bottles etc.

And Complete Sets Crystal Glass Table Services.

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on Tuesday, the 19th Dec., 1922 commencing at 5.15 a.m. at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

A Breaking up Collection of 2500 picked stamps including high value Colonias, rare and error etc., etc.

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Applications to view may be had at the offices of Messrs. Brunner Mond & Co. (China) Ltd., 7 Queens Road Central.

VIKING-ESS' GRAVE FOUND.

Queen With Elaborate Paraphernalia.

London, Oct. 21.—Professor Brøgger, a Norwegian archaeologist and lecturer, has announced an important find in southern Norway, which throws a new light on the art of Norway and Europe during the ninth century.

The find is the grave of a Viking queen believed to have been one of those women who led the Vikings against their enemies. In the tumulus of the queen was unearthed a Viking ship in almost perfect condition. The bodies of the queen and her servant were within a special burial chamber in the ship, and supplied with the most complete equipment for the future life yet known in Northern paganism.

This included a four-wheeled wagon, four sledges, beds, looms, buckets, and a complete furnished kitchen, together with fourteen horses, four dogs and two oxen.

GERMANY TO-DAY.

Einstein On After-War Conditions.

A correspondent sends us a copy of the *New Leader* containing a letter from the Editor, Mr. H. N. Brailsford, to Professor Einstein, requesting the savant's views on certain aspects of German life at the present day, and Professor Einstein's replies thereto. Our correspondent remarks: "Of course Professor Einstein is not a politician, but any statement emanating from him on the present conditions of Germany will, I feel sure, command respect and attention."

Some of Dr. Einstein's comments, which there can be no doubt sincerely reflect the state of affairs, are of special interest at this juncture, when there is so much pother about Reparations. The following excerpts from the reply give a comprehensive idea of present conditions in the "Fatherland," and the Professor's opinion of the Allies' policy:—

"Undernourishment is almost universal among brain workers and students, and in addition books have become so dear that the intellectual life and development of the rising generation suffers seriously. The very existence of scientific and artistic activities, especially theatres and journals, is more and more endangered, and some have gone under. The struggle for existence among independent artists, musicians, and writers is desperate."

MIDDLE-CLASSES IMPERILED.

"Such conditions, and especially the perpetual consciousness of the insecurity of the individual's material existence, inevitably result in a marked lowering of the estimation in which the public holds professional work and intellectual achievements. I am firmly convinced that, if the present material conditions continue or even become worse, large sections of the so-called middle class, which have hitherto been the principal source and preserver of our intellectual heritage, will sink to the level of submerged masses."

"There can be no doubt that people's energy is sapped by the consciousness that under present conditions it is impossible to provide for the future, partly because of instability of money values, partly because of the exceedingly heavy burden of taxation, which increases perpetually."

It is a fact that many of the political murders have been committed by people who have lost the means of support as a result of present conditions, but I should not venture to say whether unfavourable economic conditions are alone responsible for the lamentable deterioration of political morals."

ALLIED EXACTIONS BLAMED.

It must be admitted that the policy of the Allies has greatly augmented the difficulties of the Republic Government; in particular it has undermined the prestige of the Government by repeated humiliations, in the face of the whole people. Moreover, everyone here knows that the financial obligations laid upon the country cannot be fulfilled at their present figure, even with the utmost exertion. All this has bred in us the conviction that there is no hope of working our way by legitimate means out of our present serfdom. This paralyses economic activities and drives people to evade taxation, and try to remove their capital from the country."

"Even if we admit that the stabilisation of the mark might involve certain temporary difficulties, it can scarcely be doubted that we must try to attain stabilisation in any event and at the earliest possible moment. Without that it is impossible to reach stable economic conditions. The participation of German statesmen and experts in consultations upon international economic relations would certainly be desirable, if not absolutely necessary."

LOVE FOR JEWISH MUSIC.

"What Caruso Learned from Synagogues."

An interesting light is thrown on the singing methods of the late Signor Caruso in the memoirs published at Vienna by his manager, Herr Ledner.

While at Hamburg the famous tenor visited the synagogue during the service and stayed there two hours listening attentively to the singing.

He explained that the Jewish religious music was an artistic speciality worth studying, and on all his tours visited the synagogues and adopted some of the methods of voice production used by the Jews.

THE BRITISH SOLDIER.

Opinion of the Late Field-Marshal Wilson.

We have received from Command Headquarters a copy of a pamphlet, which has been distributed amongst the soldiers out here, embodying the opinion of the late Field-Marshal Sir Henry Wilson of "The British Soldier As I Have Known Him."

It is a splendid tribute from one most competent to express his views, and the following extract epitomises this fine character sketch of the British "Tommy":—

"After all, what is the British soldier? He is the essence of our town and country life. He is the embodiment, not of a class, but of the whole of our great Empire. He is at once the most forceful and the most thoughtful of men. He is the biggest coward and the bravest man alive. He is the greatest grumbler and the most willing of men. He is the greatest pessimist in speech and the most profound optimist in action of any man that ever lived. He is as cruel as a schoolboy and as gentle as a woman; while, as a comrade in a tight place—and the tighter the better—there is nobody (and, I venture to think, there never has been anybody) like the British soldier."

I said he was the biggest coward, because on many hundreds of occasions when he has done some action which brings a gulp to one's throat, he skulks behind anybody and everybody if he is asked to stand out and get his reward."

\$100 GIVEN AWAY SPECIAL CHRISTMAS COMPETITION.

PRIZES FOR CIVILIANS AND SERVICE MEN.

We will give a prize of \$100 to the civilian reader who sends in the most nearly correct forecast of the results of Hongkong Football League Matches to be played on SATURDAY next, December 16th, as detailed in the coupon to be found below; and \$50 to the Service reader who sends in the greatest number of correct forecasts of such matches.

Rules Of Competition.

- All forecasts must be written on coupons cut from "The Hongkong Telegraph." The name and address of the entrant to be plainly printed in block letters in ink.
- Any number of attempts may be sent in, but a separate coupon must be used for each attempt.
- The Prize of \$100 in each case (Civilian and Service) will be awarded to the competitor who gives the correct or most nearly correct result of the matches below. In the event of more than one competitor sending in a correct or most nearly correct forecast then the Prize will be divided equally between these competitors. No competitor shall be entitled to more than one share of the Prize.
- All coupons must be received at the "Telegraph" office not later than 12 o'clock on Saturday day, December 16th. Coups received after that time will be disqualified.
- No responsibility will be accepted by the Editor for the loss or non-delivery of any coupon. The Editor's decision must be final. No correspondence or inter-views will be entered into concerning this competition.
- Any match given below which, through any cause whatever, is not played to a finish will not be counted.
- No member of the "Telegraph" staff will be permitted to take part in the competition.

Mark The Envelope Football.

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"Telegraph" Weekly Football Coupon No. 8.

Matches to be played on SATURDAY, December 16th. Home teams mentioned first in each case.

DIVISION I.

Club	v.	Titanic
Hawkins	v.	R.G.A.
Kings	v.	Police
Tamar	v.	Durban
South China	v.	Kowloon

DIVISION II.

Kin	v.	Marazion
Ambrose	v.	S. China "A"
United	v.	S. China "B"
Kowloon	v.	University
St. Joseph's	v.	Durban
Police	v.	Auxiliaries
R.G.A.	v.	Hawkins

Strike out the names of the teams you think will lose.

If you think any match will result in a draw do not strike out the name of either team.

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S.S.	Tons	From Hong- kong (about)	Destination
SICILIA	6,700	22nd Dec.	Spain, Pango, C'bo & B'bay
KASHGAR	9,000	27th Dec.	B'bay, M'les, L'don, A'werp
PLASSY	7,400	10th Jan.	M'les, London & Antwerp
NAGPORE	3,300	10th Jan.	Spain, Colombo & B'bay
SARDINIA	6,700	24th Jan.	M'les, London & Antwerp
NELLORE	6,850	7th Feb.	M'les, London & Antwerp

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

TORILLA	5,200	19th Dec.	Spain, Penang & Calcutta
JAPAN	5,000	31st Dec.	Spain, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

ARAFURA	6,000	3rd Jan.	Manila, Thursday, Is- land, T'ville, B'bay, Sydney & Melbourne.
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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN.

JAPAN	6,000	14 Dec. d'light	Amoy, Kobe & Moji
SARDINIA	6,700	20th Dec.	Shanghai & Japan
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S.S. GLENBEG	18th December.
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S.S. RADNORSHIRE	12th January.
S.S. GLENSHANE	26th January.

HOMEWARDS.

Vessel	Leaves Hongkong	Discharges
S.S. GLENIFFER	7th Jan. L'DON, HULL, A'WERP, R'DAM, H'BURG.	
S.S. CARNARVONSHIRE	17th Jan. GENOA, LONDON, HULL, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG.	

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T'ibodas	Makassar	18th Dec.	19th Dec.	Japan via Shanghai
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SHIZUOKA MARU	Wednesday, 20th Dec. at 11 a.m.
YOKOHAMA M. (Calling Manila)	Thurs. 11th Jan. at 11 a.m.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, &c.	
KITANO MARU	Wednesday, 20th Dec. at 11 a.m.
HARUNA MARU	Wednesday, 3rd Jan. at 11 a.m.
LAMBURG via LONDON, HULL, ROTTERDAM.	
LISBON MARU	Tuesday, 19th December.
LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & VALENCIA.	
TURFUGA MARU	Tuesday, 26th December.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, &c.	
TANGO MARU	Tuesday, 19th Dec. at 11 a.m.
YOSHINO MARU	Tuesday, 16th Jan. at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK & BOSTON VIA PANAMA.
DURBAN MARU ... End of December.
BUENOS AIRES via S'pore, Delagoa Bay, Durban & Cape Town.

JOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
TAKAOA MARU ... Friday, 15th December.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

CEYLON MARU ... Friday, 22nd Dec.
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YOSHINO MARU ... Thursday, 14th Dec. at 11 a.m.
TAMBA MARU ... (Calling Moji) Saturday, 16th December.

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HAIPHONG via Hoihow Leesang	Fri.	15th Dec. at 10 a.m.
TTAO via S'tow & S'hai Hongsang	Fri.	15th Dec. at 10 a.m.
MANILA	Yuen-sang	Fri. 15th Dec. at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	Mausang	Sat. 16th Dec. at noon.
BANGKOK via Swatow Kwalsang	Sun.	17th Dec. at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Laisang	Tues. 19th Dec. at 3 p.m.
KOBE	Hosang	Thurs. 21st Dec. at noon.
BANGKOK via Swatow Chaksang	Sun.	24th Dec. at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Namsang	Wed. 3rd Jan. at 3 p.m.
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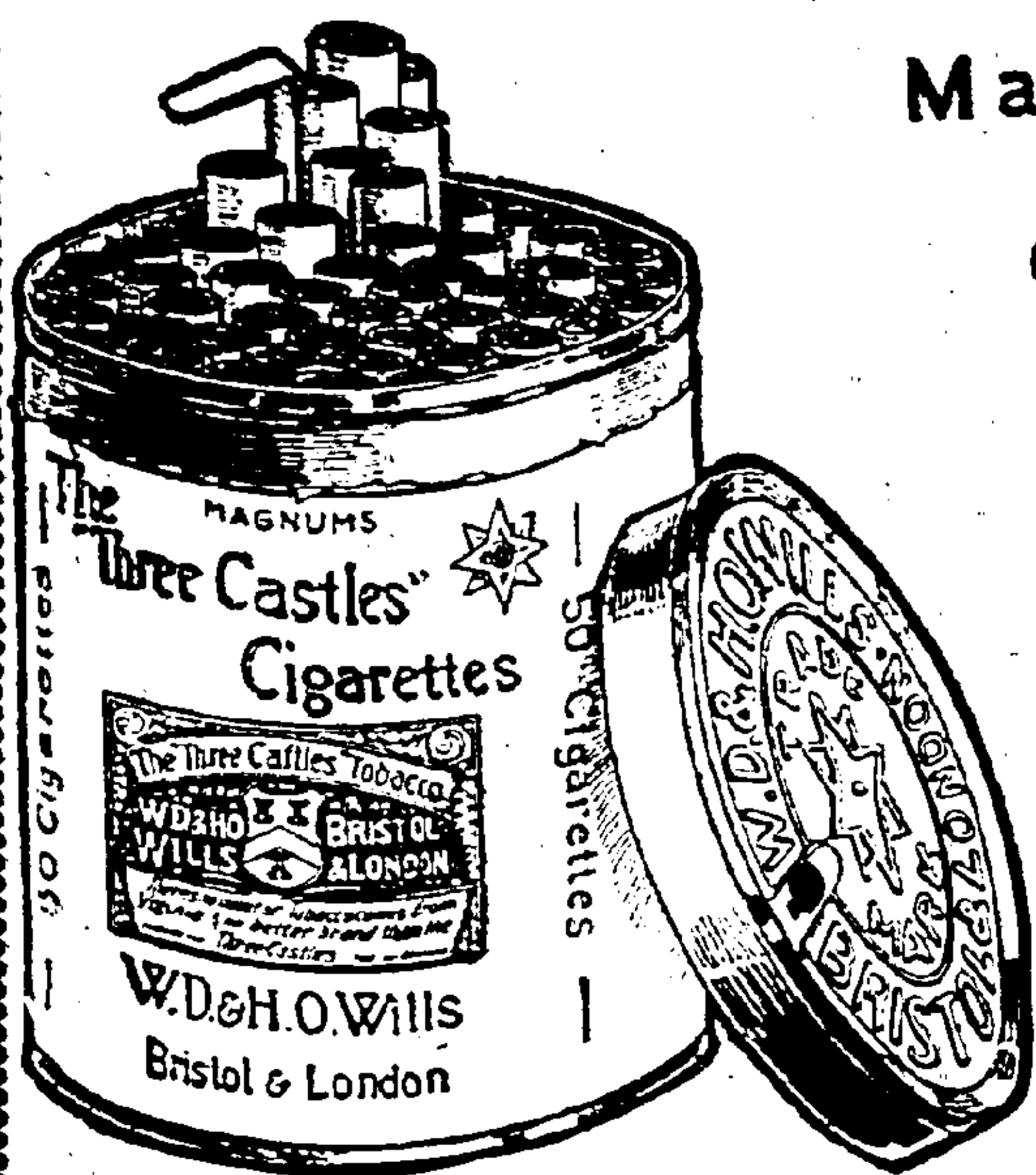
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MR. NEMAZEE'S APPEAL.

Judgment Reserved.

Mr. Eldon Potter yesterday gave his address for the respondents in the case in which Mr. H. M. H. Nemaze, shipowner and merchant, of Des Vieux Road, appeared against an order of the Chief Justice, made on the 5th August, giving leave to the respondents, the Yung Steamship Company, to enforce an arbitration award of \$18,000. Mr. F. C. Jenkin, for the appellants, is seeking to set up a counter claim, amounting roughly to \$125,000.

Mr. Potter, in opening his argument, emphasized that the Arbitration Act, to use the language of Lord Justice Fletcher Moulton, had given an award the status of a judgment. The result of that would be that the old practice of applying, by way of rule nisi, for an order absolute calling upon a person to pay, was gone. Mr. Potter contended that his clients came to Court with a perfectly good judgment for the purpose of execution. There was no answer to the judgment, excepting that it was itself invalid. He thought he would satisfy their Lordships beyond all possible doubt that the true position was that once an award was made for the purpose of execution it had the status of a judgment, and if he established that, their Lordships would appreciate what a complete answer it was to all the points Mr. Jenkin had raised. It was remarkable if the law was as Mr. Jenkin had stated, that not a single practice book suggested that, on an application of this kind, any defence could be raised excepting the validity of the award. The reason was that the law was now such that no good defence could be raised.

Judgment Reserved.

Mr. Justice Skinner Turner remarked that a point which struck him was that the respondents had not filed any affidavit on the suggested cross-claims from anyone but their solicitor.

"GRANDMA'S BOY."

Harold Lloyd Humour.

If, amongst the four packed "houses" that saw Harold Lloyd's latest comedy "Grandma's Boy" at the Coronet yesterday, there was anybody who did not come away with his sides aching then he has been denied the gift of laughter and had better give up picture-going. The audience giggled when Harold Lloyd having been dropped into a well by his rival in love, it was clearly demonstrated that the only think "unshrinkable" about his new Sunday suit was the label that said it was; they shrieked when he popped a camphor ball into his mouth in mistake for a sugared almond and had to pretend he liked it because his best girl was looking on; they positively—but it is not fair to tell any more. It is enough to say that in "Grandma's Boy" Harold Lloyd is seen at more than his best—he is better than anybody could have imagined he ever could be.

Mr. Potter said the reason was that they did not think the cross-claims affected the claim at all. The only person in Hongkong who could file an affidavit was Mr. Beavis; the others concerned were in Shanghai. In view of how he interpreted the law on the subject, it did not seem to be relevant. So far as Mr. Beavis knew, there was not the slightest admission on the part of his clients that the money was due.

Mr. Justice Skinner Turner: What is in my mind is that there has been time, but there is, in fact, no affidavit filed from anybody to dispute the fact to his own personal knowledge. Mr. Potter replied that his contention was that the cross-claim could not be considered at all. Mr. Potter proceeded with his argument, quoting from legal text books in support of his case. At the conclusion, their Lordships reserved judgment.

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7.30 a.m.	7.40 a.m.		19 min.
7.40 a.m.	7.50 a.m.		20 min.
7.50 a.m.	8.00 a.m.		21 min.
8.00 a.m.	8.10 a.m.		22 min.
8.10 a.m.	8.20 a.m.		23 min.
8.20 a.m.	8.30 a.m.		24 min.
8.30 a.m.	8.40 a.m.		25 min.
8.40 a.m.	8.50 a.m.		26 min.
8.50 a.m.	9.00 p.m.		27 min.
9.00 p.m.	9.10 p.m.		28 min.

NIGHT CARS.

9.30 p.m.	9.40 p.m.	9.50 p.m.	
9.50 p.m.	10.00 p.m.	every 30 minutes	
10.00 p.m.	10.10 p.m.	every 15 minutes	

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7.30 a.m.	7.40 a.m.		19 min.
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